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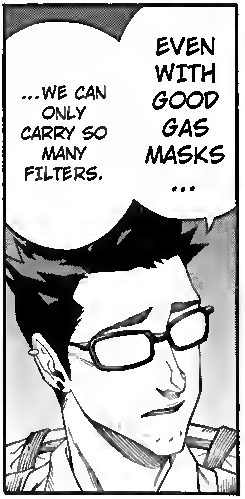

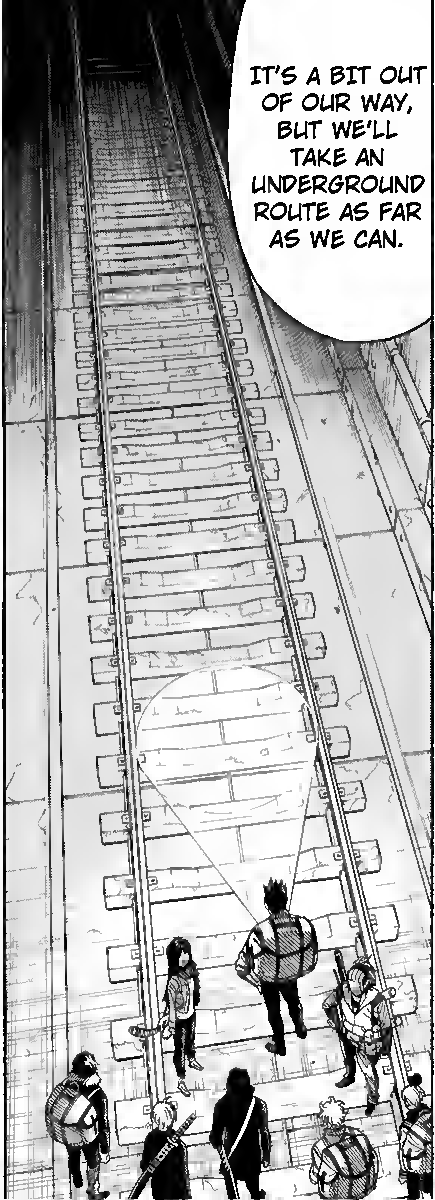

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SO... WHAT'S YOUR BLOOD TYPE?
O.
YOUR BIRTH-DAY?
JUNE 11.
SO, YUI...
LOOK AT HIM, ALL CHATTY ...
...AND SO CLOSE TO YUI.
JERK
TAKING GOOD NOTES
JUNE 11
EH?
...YOU HAVE A BOY-FRIEND?

BUT THERE IS SOMEONE I LIKE.
WHO ARE YOU?
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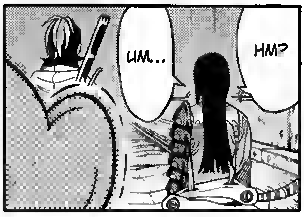
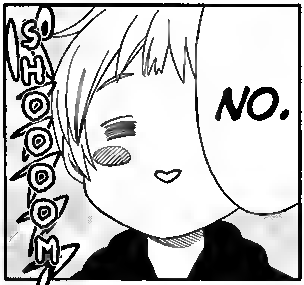
WHO?
WHO IS IT?


UM...
HM?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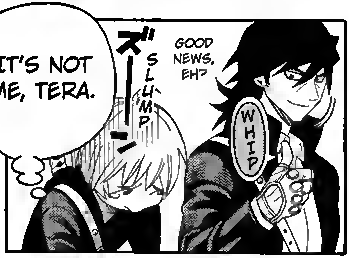
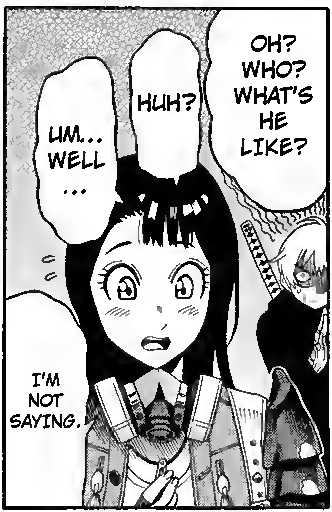
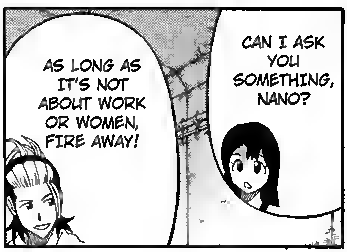
SHOOOOM


IT'S NOT ME, TERA.
GOOD NEWS, EH?
SLUMP
WHIP

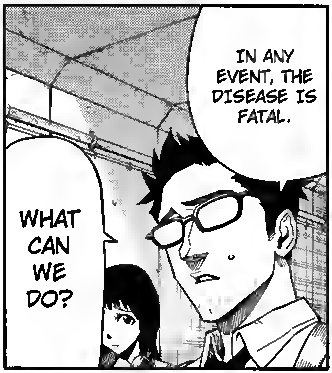

OH? WHO? WHAT'S HE LIKE?
HUH?
UM... WELL ...
I'M NOT SAYING.


CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING, NANO?
AS LONG AS IT'S NOT ABOUT WORK OR WOMEN, FIRE AWAY!

TELL ME EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT THE DEATH POLLEN!
HUH? OH... THAT.
WEREN'T YOU GONNA ASK ABOUT ME?
LET'S SEE... HERE'S WHAT I'VE HEARD.
FIRST, YOU GET SICK IF YOU INHALE A LOT OF IT.
HMM ...えーと
HOW MUCH IT TAKES DEPENDS ON THE PERSON, A LOT LIKE AN ALLERGY.
SECOND, IT DOESN'T SPREAD FROM PERSON TO PERSON.
!
GREAT. WE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY, AS LONG AS WE'RE CAREFUL UP TOP.
OH, AND ONE MORE THING ...
THE FATALITY RATE IS AROUND 90%.

SHOOOOOO
THE 10% THAT SURVIVE BECOME WICKER MEN.
THAT'S WHAT YOU CALL THEM.
YEP
THEY HEAL FROM ALMOST ANY WOUND...
...BUT THEY BECOME MINDLESS AND VIOLENT.
WICKER MEN...
THE NAME COMES FROM RELIGIOUS ITEMS USED BY THE DRUIDS OF ANCIENT GAUL.
THEY WERE GREAT WOODEN CAGES SHAPED LIKE MEN.

ANIMALS AND PEOPLE WERE PUT INSIDE AND THEN BURNED AS OFFERINGS TO THE GODS.


IN ANY EVENT, THE DISEASE IS FATAL.
WHAT CAN WE DO?

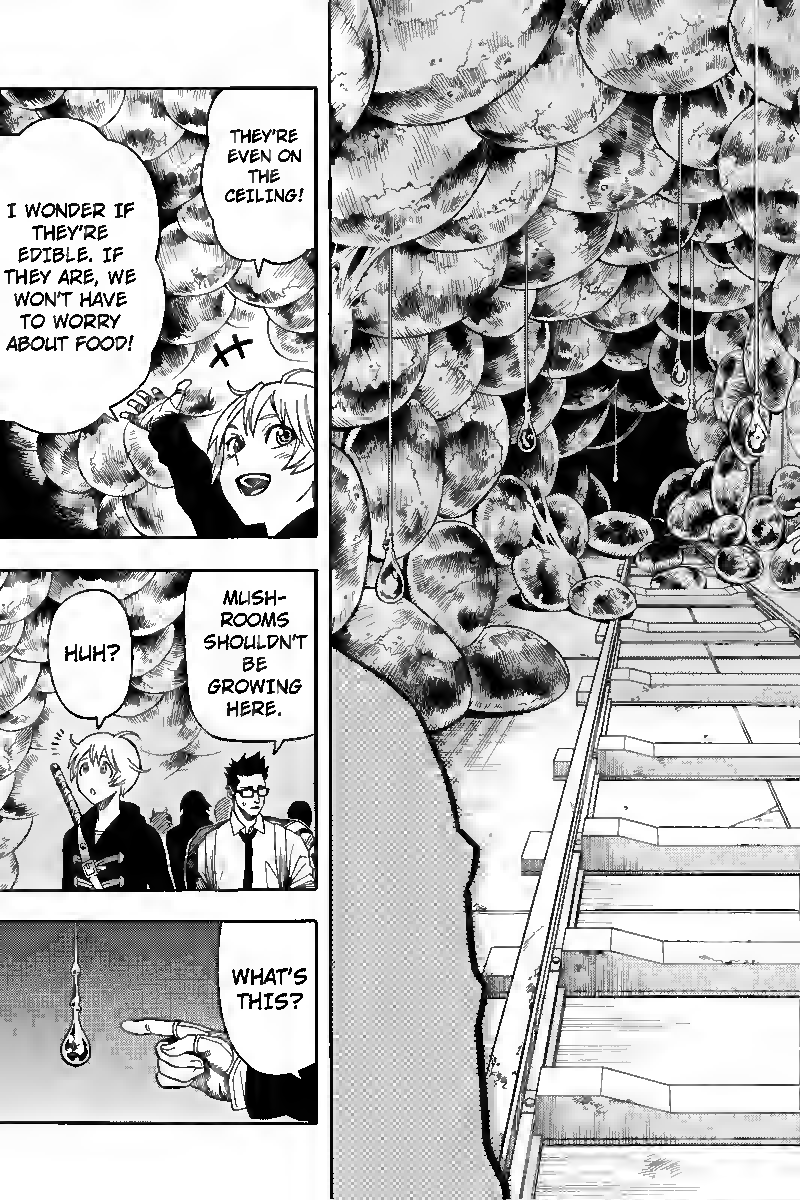
THE VICTIMS WERE BURNED ALIVE
THAT'S IRONIC.
...AND THE WICKER MEN ATTACKED US.

IF THE CHANCES OF DEATH WEREN'T SO HIGH...
...I BET SOME PEOPLE WOULD TRY TO CATCH IT ON PURPOSE.
LIKE THAT ONE CRAZY BASTARD.
...
...!
THROB
GOOD-BYE TO YOU ALL.
WE'LL MEET AGAIN.
RYUKODEN!
IF HE'S STILL ALIVE, HE'LL RETURN...AND HE'LL BRING TROUBLE AS A SOUVENIR!
GRIT

THIS IS BAD!
ONE OF RYUKO-DEN'S CRONIES ESCAPED!
WHAT!?
LET'S ORGANIZE A SEARCH PARTY!
WE CAN'T.
IT'S LIKE THE BOSS SAID...
...WE CAN'T RISK A COMRADES' LIVES TO CHASE ONE CRIMINAL.

I HOPE NOTHING BAD HAPPENS WHILE THE BOSS IS OUT.
WE'LL HAVE TO PUT UP WITH JUST INCREASING SECURITY!
WHOA!
CHECK IT OUT!
STEP
STEP
HUH?

LOOK AT ALL THESE MUSH-ROOMS!


THEY'RE EVEN ON THE CEILING!
I WONDER IF THEY'RE EDIBLE. IF THEY ARE, WE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT FOOD!
MUSH-ROOMS SHOULDN'T BE GROWING HERE.
HUH?
WHAT'S THIS?

HUH?
DON'T TOUCH THAT!
DOOR
!?
WAAAAH!
H-HELP ME!
BE CARE-FUL!
THOSE AREN'T DROPS OF WATER!
AND THESE AREN'T MUSH-ROOMS!

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THEY'RE BOLAS SPI-DERS!
SHOOOOOOO

I HEAR YOU!
WEAPONS, PEOPLE!
HERE THEY COME!
KA-CHINK
SHOOOOO